

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Newport News Division



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)	Criminal No. 4:24-cr-39
)	
v.)	18 U.S.C. § 2422(B)
)	Coercion and Enticement of a Child
ANTHONY GEORGE RUGGIERO)	(Counts 1 – 6)
)	
)	18 U.S.C. § 2428
)	Forfeiture

INDICTMENT

JUNE 2024 Term - At Newport News, Virginia

COUNT ONE

THE GRAND JURY CHARGES THAT:

On or about November 1, 2021, in the Eastern District of Virginia, the defendant, ANTHONY GEORGE RUGGIERO, did unlawfully and knowingly use facilities and means of interstate commerce to persuade, induce, entice, and coerce an individual who has not attained the age of 18 years old – to wit: Jane Doe 1, to engage in any sexual activity for which any person could be charged with a criminal offense.

(In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2422(b).)

COUNT TWO

THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about November 2, 2021, in the Eastern District of Virginia, the defendant, ANTHONY GEORGE RUGGIERO, did unlawfully and knowingly use facilities and means of interstate commerce to persuade, induce, entice, and coerce an individual who has not attained the

age of 18 years old – to wit: Jane Doe 1, to engage in any sexual activity for which any person could be charged with a criminal offense.

(In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2422(b).)

COUNT THREE

THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about November 14, 2021, in the Eastern District of Virginia, the defendant, ANTHONY GEORGE RUGGIERO, did unlawfully and knowingly use facilities and means of interstate commerce ^{UPW AR AR} to persuade, induce, entice, and coerce an individual who has not attained the age of 18 years old – to wit: Jane Doe 1, to engage in any sexual activity for which any person could be charged with a criminal offense.

(In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2422(b).)

COUNT FOUR

THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about February 7, 2022, in the Eastern District of Virginia, the defendant, ANTHONY GEORGE RUGGIERO, did unlawfully and knowingly use facilities and means of interstate commerce ^{UPW AR AR} to persuade, induce, entice, and coerce an individual who has not attained the age of 18 years old – to wit: Jane Doe 1, to engage in any sexual activity for which any person could be charged with a criminal offense.

(In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2422(b).)

COUNT FIVE

THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about February 10, 2022, in the Eastern District of Virginia, the defendant, ANTHONY GEORGE RUGGIERO, did unlawfully and knowingly use facilities and means of interstate commerce to persuade, induce, entice, and coerce an individual who has not attained the age of 18 years old – to wit: Jane Doe 1, to engage in any sexual activity for which any person could be charged with a criminal offense.

(In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2422(b).)

COUNT SIX

THE GRAND JURY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about February 18, 2022, in the Eastern District of Virginia, the defendant, ANTHONY GEORGE RUGGIERO, did unlawfully and knowingly use facilities and means of interstate commerce to persuade, induce, entice, and coerce an individual who has not attained the age of 18 years old – to wit: Jane Doe 1, to engage in any sexual activity for which any person could be charged with a criminal offense.

(In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2422(b).)

FORFEITURE

THE GRAND JURY FURTHER FINDS PROBABLE CAUSE THAT:

1. Pursuant to Rule 32.2 FED. R. CRIM. P., if convicted of any of the violations alleged in the Indictment, the defendant shall forfeit the following property to the United States as part of the sentencing:

a. any property, real or personal, that was used or intended to be used to commit or to facilitate the commission of the violation; and

b. any property, real or personal, constituting or derived from any proceeds obtained, directly or indirectly, as a result of the violation.

2. If any property that is subject to forfeiture above is not available, it is the intention of the United States to seek an order forfeiting substitute assets pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p) and Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 32.2(e).

(In accordance with Title 18, United States Code, Section 2428(a)).

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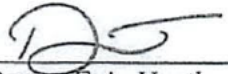
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